

RECLAMATION IN OREGON

MONEY SPENT ON THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT PROJECTS

WHAT IS STILL DUE STATE

The Government Plan Best, Because the Reclaimed Land Goes to the Farmer at Cost.

The following editorial comment and communication are taken from the Journal, and are interesting because of the stand taken on an ever-burning subject.

The efficiency of irrigation has been proven. It is a new agency that is so powerfully aiding men in deriving food products from the soil. At the most fertile acreage still wild is disappearing irrigation appears to reclaim waste lands, and make them enormously productive. It is a new impetus in going to the soil for wealth. Its efficiency for productivity, lands otherwise barren is a valuable reason to agriculturists on every acre of land. It is so important a part in agricultural endeavor as just to state the proper endeavor of government, and one in which it can immediately further the material, social and economic condition of the people. It is indeed better for government to promote irrigation than for it to raise a capital to do it, because the one based on giving the reclaimed land to farmers without a profit, and the other levies a toll on agricultural endeavor, when, as the drift population from the farm shows, culture should be released from possible tolls, to the end that men find profit enough on the land to induce them to remain on and work it.

At a point thereof the following communication from A. King Wilson, Editor of the Journal: I beg to make a few observations as to Oregon's interest in the reclamation

fund. The secretary of the interior is required to expend the major portion of the reclamation fund arising from the states and territories for the benefit of the arid or semi-arid lands within each state or territory. The division of the fund is conditioned on practicability and feasibility. This is in accordance with section 9 of the national irrigation law approved June 17, 1902. Up to the 30th day of June, 1909, the receipts from the sales of government land in Oregon amounted to \$5,174,692.33. One-half of this, or \$2,587,346.16 should be expended in Oregon. The actual amount of money expended in Oregon is as follows:

Klamath project	\$2,169,000
Matilla project	1,186,000
Total	\$3,355,000

In other words, at the present time we are short \$792,346.16. The department at Washington seems to feel that Oregon will produce no more money for this fund. While the building of the railroads into Eastern Oregon is selling government land very rapidly, the amount of the fund will be very greatly enlarged before 1912. Some of the people who live in Oregon think it would not be out of place for the government to spend \$5,000,000 in this state in irrigation projects. They think that there are plenty of projects that are practicable and suitable in Oregon. The readers of this paper can draw their own conclusions as to the position that Oregon is in in relation to this fund.

The above presents the important point that the state's full portion of the fund created by the sale of public lands is far from being expended, and that future sales during the current ten-year period will largely increase the state's unexpended balance. Mr. Wilson's presentation of the facts suggests the expectation as sales proceed and the Oregon fund increases the department should make arrangements to expend Oregon's legal portion in approved projects of reclamation in this state. The railroad development now in progress makes it extremely important for the department not to lose sight of the Oregon situation. It is probable that the Oregon delegation will be alert, and that all the members thereof will insist upon development of Oregon reclamation to the limit of the fund created by the law through land sales.

CITY BRIEVITIES

For fresh lime, call at George Hehn's.

Men's Woolen Suits from \$10 up, at Goodrich's Cash Store.

Don't forget the millinery opening on Friday, Sept. 17 at the Suits Dry Goods Co.

John Shortt is in the city today.

Sale on blue and white Jap caps and saucers at Deal next Saturday after. See window display.

John Shepard is in the city today on business.

Special line of boys' clothing at the right prices at Goodrich's Cash Store.

A new \$550 piano, case slightly damaged, for half price; also bargains in other pianos, at Virgil's furniture store.

Major C. E. Worden and wife and Jurg Mason and wife leave in the morning for the houseboat on Crystal Creek.

A most exquisite line of French pattern hats will be on display at Runk & Schneider's, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 17th and 18th.

W. Morrice of Edmonds, Wash., paid this office a visit this morning and gave a very interesting talk about the Sound country and its future. Mr. Morrice arrived last night on a business trip and expects to leave in the morning.

All new and up-to-date goods at Goodrich's Cash Store. A fine new stock just arrived.

The first delivery of cement blocks for the Jacobs block was made by the Hydraulic Stone and Brick company today. The blocks attracted much favorable comment by builders and contractors.

Mr. C. F. Goodrich at the Cash Store has added to the original grocery stock a \$10,000 stock of new goods, embracing clothing, boots and shoes, hats, ladies' and gents' furnishings, trunk, groceries, wall paper and general merchandise.

Arnie Walker was brought up from Merrill last night and lodged in the county jail, where he will serve a jail sentence of fifty days. He was convicted of petty larceny before the Justice of the peace at Merrill and fined \$100. In default of payment he was sentenced to serve fifty days in jail. It is claimed he entered a hotel in Merrill and stole a small pocket pistol and some clothing.

Mr. Glaze, living twenty miles north of Silver Lake, was in town this week getting supplies. He expressed himself as totally surprised at the low prices in Klamath Falls, as compared with the Sacramento mail order house catalogues, one of which he had in his pocket while here. He will return later for his winter supplies.

We want all the bachelors, spinners, married men with their wives, swains with their sweethearts and boys and girls to visit the formal opening of The Vogue Millinery tonight, tomorrow and the next day. The largest stock of pattern hats of the latest creation and imported novelties ever displayed in Klamath Falls will be on exhibition. Watch Monday's window for school girl specialties. Located in old Boston shoe store stand. Mrs. B. M. Gruttner, proprietress. Open evenings.

There is quite a car shortage on the railroad at present, and as a result the sheep and cattle men who have stock to ship are somewhat up in the air. O. T. McKendree has eight cars of sheep ready to ship out and the Castens Packing company have about ten cars of cattle ready to go—and no cars. The wires are being kept hot, and the situation will doubtless be relieved as soon as it is possible to get stock cars here.

OLD-TIMER COMES BACK

MAJ. CHAS. E. SEARNS RETURNS TO THIS SECTION ON VACATION

HIS FIRST VISIT SINCE 1869

Surprised at the vast improvements, the Country Always Looked Good to Him.

Major Chas. E. Searns, who is connected with the land department of the Southern Pacific company, is paying this city a visit on his vacation.

Major Searns first visited this country in 1869, when he, in company with a party of miners from Ploche, Nev., made a trip through Klamath Basin. In speaking of that trip, he said: "When our party passed through here in 1869 it was a very sparsely settled community, and there were not more than half a dozen houses scattered around over the country. I remember distinctly of the Indians bringing our party across the river in their dugouts, and we had to swim our horses. This country looked good to me then. My trip here now is a revelation to me as compared with what I saw here in 1869. Everything in the country has changed except the scenic beauty which surrounds it. I consider the view of Mt. Shasta from this valley as the most beautiful one I ever saw, especially at sunrise or along when the evening light is falling. To my liking, it is far more striking than

"This city is naturally very favorably located, and now that the railroad is an assured fact you will have to have additional hotels to accommodate all the people who are bound to come here for recreation and pleasure. This country has so many diversified opportunities for outdoor sports that great numbers of tourists from all over the country will come here and doubtless many of them will remain permanently. Old Dame Nature has lavished many resources, and you have got to get in and develop them, and the most scientific farmer and workman is going to be the winner. The farmers of this section will have to make a study of soil conditions and learn about the kind of crops best adapted for profitable culture in this place.

"The Indians we encountered in this country in 1869 were very kind and accommodating, extending many courtesies. They had their peculiarities, however, which had to be respected. That reminds me of an incident that occurred somewhere in this neighborhood. We were camped out one night, and I heard a rattlesnake in the grass near by. Immediately I got a stick and was going to kill it, when an Indian stepped up and said: "This is my snake—mika illah, meaning 'this is my bill'. I did not kill the snake."

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Men's pants at Goodrich's Cash Store for \$1 up.

I have some new things on sale in the window this week.

McHattan.

Miss Alice Lytle of Bonanza has accepted the position of school teacher for the Strotts district, near Crescent.

Try a jug of our prepared "As You Like It" Hoseradish. You will use no other. Monarch Mercantile Co.

The El Merito—A 10-cent cigar for 5 cents. The only genuine all-Havana wrapper and long filler hand-made cigar on the market. For sale at all first-class cigar stands.

A new lodging house is soon to be opened over the Cash Grocery, finely furnished with new furnishings throughout. C. F. Goodrich is the proprietor.

Conklin's self-filling pens are the best. Reasons: They don't leak; they are easily filled; the points are the best. I am willing to sell them with the privilege of returning.

McHattan.

Bonanza parties are raising a kick because the old Harpold dam has been boarded up, making it impossible for the fish to get over. This, it is claimed, shuts off the fishing of Bonanza and that country, and the fish warden is being sought to see if some relief cannot be obtained.

Comb honey, the most tempting of sweets, at Monarch Mercantile Co.

If you want your picnic lunch basket full of delicious things, stop at the Monarch and get Salame sausage—a fine imported sausage—Tillamook full cream cheese, Heinz pickles and relishes and a dozen other good things to complete your lunch.

Dr. J. Van Denburgh, who has been spending his vacation in this city, left for his home in San Francisco this morning. The Doctor was delighted with our climate, which he states has materially benefited him. He will doubtless return next summer for his outing.

It is easy to understand why certain motion pictures are expensive, if you but stop and think of the wonderful canoeing skill exhibited in the wild chase of the Indian lovers in "The Broken Lute" which was run off at the Iris last night. Down through a rushing rapids came a number of canoes manned by painted warriors who could have been no less than the most expert canoeists, perhaps college men, who drove their birch bark canoes at fearful speed through rapids that would have swamped ordinary boatmen. It was thrilling, indeed, and was fitly ended by the torture of the Indian lover, who won his eagle feather and his bride. "The New Cop" provoked much laughter, as it showed up the bad breaks a new man made in the performance of police duty with circumstances and the fates against him. "The Gold Nugget" introduced an exciting cowboy chase and finished with the common form of necktie for thieves in mining camps.

No one is losing a coupon of the Iris theater this week, for a lucky star may deliver a beautiful gold watch into your hand besides the pleasure you have had in seeing a fine set of pictures. Be sure to go next Monday night, when the watch will be given away.

A series of the finest motion pictures yet seen in Klamath Falls will be shown tonight. "A Romance of Old Mexico," the delightful story of the love of a maid and a matador. "Caught at Last," an amusing series of pranks played by a little boy while putting circumstantial evidence to the test. "In the Sultan's Power," a stirring story of love and adventure. An American girl, wedded to a Turkish pasha, attempts to return to her

TAFT AND THE TARIFF

WILL DISCUSS THE QUESTION ON HIS JOURNEY

PEOPLE BOUND TO "KNOCK"

If Ninety Million People Each Write a Tariff Bill, There Would Be That Many Different Bills.

Speaking editorially of President Taft's journey and the subjects he will discuss, the San Francisco Chronicle gives the following opinions interestingly expressed:

"It is stated, apparently by authority, that in his public addresses on his coming journey the president will frankly discuss the tariff law recently enacted by congress. Especially will he do that, it is claimed, in the Mississippi valley states, in which agitators have stirred up so much trouble. It will certainly be proper for him to give attention to that subject, but we predict that those who expect from him any expression of disagreement with the majority of his party will find themselves mistaken.

"If the eighty or ninety millions of inhabitants of the United States were all equipped by intellect and experience to write a tariff act, and every one of them should do so without consulting with others, there would be eighty or ninety millions of different tariff bills. No two persons, equally competent, would make the same schedules. It is not only probable, therefore, but morally certain, that the president personally would like to see some changes in the law, but that he will make such personal views prominent, or in way discredit the law which he signed, may be set down as impossible. He will sustain the law and counsel surcease from agitation.

"As a matter of fact, tariff knocking, except by direct representatives of importing middlemen, is but one phase of the journalistic sensationalism and muckraking of the day. No consumer has demanded reductions nor will any consumer benefit in the slightest degree by such reductions as were made. Even in the free hides, as to which so much fuss was made, no consumer is likely to gain or lose. The removal of the duty has been promptly followed by corresponding increase of price in foreign exporting markets and the prices of hides will remain as they were. A protective tariff bill will enable an infant in-

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